Patiala,

March 3. 18.

My dear Sir Visvesvaraya,

Many & sincere thanks for your kind letter of 27th February. I owe you an apology for the delay in acknowledging your previous one which reached me at Delhi. While I was at Delhi working for the Princes' Conference, I had not a breathing moment and I intended to attend to my own papers on return to Patiala. The strain of work, however, told on me and immediately on return to Patiala I was confired to bed for nearly ten days. Thank God, I am up again and feel once more fit after the rest.

It was extremely kind of you to send me the notes re the surveys to be undertaken in connection with my Pinjaur dam project. I had Rai Atmaram up and gave them to him personally. He is working up to them and will, I understand, be soon submitting his preliminary report which I will forward to you for your further advice.

I enclose herewith the final Delhi proposals & the forwarding note which furnishes certain explanations regarding the action taken at Delhi by the Princes who had assembled at the Viceroy's invitation. The proceedings of the Princes' debates with the Viceroy and the Secretary of State will, I understand be furnished to all the Ruling Princes & Chiefs by the Pol. Deptt. of the Govt. of India. The Ministers were not present at these debates; so I do not know all that passed but my Maharaja told me that most of the principle points had been agreed to. They acknowledged the importance of finding some satisfactory plan of coordinating the interests of the Indian States with those of British India but they had not quite made up their mind as to what form it should take. I fancy the Govt. of India want a Second Chamber and they would

find room for the Ruling Princes on this Chamber for the present.

I trust you are in the enjoyment of perfect health. With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/ Daya Kishan Kaul.